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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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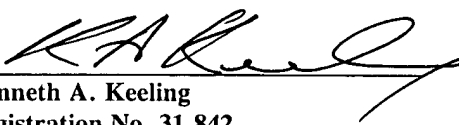
Section 1. Preliminary Statements

Applicant(s) submits herewith patents, publications or other information, of which they are aware that they believe may be material to the examination of this application, and in respect of which, there may be a duty to disclose.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

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Section 2. PTO 1449 (Now Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B)

PTO Form 1449 is attached hereto.

Section 3. Copies of Listed Information Items Accompanying This Statement

Legible copies of all items listed in Form PTO-1449 accompany this information statement.

Section 4. Concise Explanation of English Language Listed Information Items

1. U.S. Pat. No. 5,469,800, issued to Gelfand et al., on June 23, 1998

Discloses a vest design for cardiopulmonary resuscitation including a rectangular shaped cuff and an inflatable bladder capable of radial expansion to first conform to a patient's chest dimensions and then to apply circumferential pressure.

2. U.S. Pat. No. 5,174,281, issued to Lee, on December 29, 1992

Discloses a pneumatic cuff assembly fitting over and around the entire maternal abdomen to assist the delivery of the fetus at the final stage of child birth. The cuff includes a right and left double layer inflatable section, each section having a plurality of connecting elongated fingered leaf segments, the middle leaf segments being longer than the end leaf segments.

3. U.S. Pat. No. 891,181, issued to Mitchell, on June 16, 1908

Discloses an inflatable bandage having ends that are tapered so that they mate together around a limb.

4. U.S. Pat. No. 6,010,471, issued to Ben-Noon, on January 4, 2000

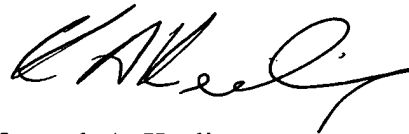
Discloses body treatment equipment for treatment of a body part. The equipment comprises an elongated band adapted to be spirally wound around the body part so as to encase it with successive obliquely disposed turns and encompass a series of mutually juxtaposed, longitudinally disposed band segments along the length of the body part.

Section 5. Identification of Person(s) Making This Information Disclosure Statement

The person making this statement is:

- (a) ☐ the inventor(s) who signs below.
- (b) ☐ an individual associated with the filing and prosecution of this application.
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